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Eric,

The following issues should be evaluated as a part of the Gulfco EE/CA for the sediment:

- 1. NOAA (Sediment Quality Guidelines Developed for the National Status and Trends Program,1999) identifies a 70% incidence of effects when zinc sediment concentrations exceed their Effects Range Median (ERM) of 410 mg/kg. Additional areas that contain sample locations with zinc concentrations higher than the Effects Range Low (ERL)/ERM midpoint should be evaluated. These sample locations are: SB202, NF4SE13, SPSE01, SPSE02, SPSE03, and 3WSED9.
- 2. Sampling at the edges of any excavation areas to verify that concentrations of chemicals of potential ecological concern above their respective Effects Range Low/ERM midpoints are not left behind should be evaluated.
- 3. The use of topsoil with an organic matter content comparable to the material removed should be evaluated for backfill material.
- 4. The use of a minimum of 4 of the listed plant species, except for cattails, should be evaluated.

Thanks,

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